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LNG TERMINAL AT VALLARPADAM
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of construction of International container Transshipment Terminal at Vallarpadam;

(b) the measures taken by the Government to complete the LNG Terminal;

(c) whether the project is being completed on time bound basis; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a): The License Agreement between M/s. India Gateway Terminal Private Limited (IGTPL) and Cochin Port for the construction of the International Container Transshipment Terminal (ICTT) at Vallarpadam on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis was signed on 31st January, 2005. The environmental clearance for the project was received on 9th November, 2006. The pre-project activities including land filling has been completed. Tenders for the construction of the terminal have been received. The construction work for the terminal is planned to commence.

(b) to (d): The LNG Terminal at Puthuvypeen Island in Cochin Port is being executed by M/s. Petronet LNG Limited (PLL). The environmental clearance for the project has been received. Land Development work is in progress at the project site. Proposal for award of concession to M/s PLL is under process for approval of the competent authority.